**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY**
**SIDE JURISDICTION**
**CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.460 OF 2007**

Ramesh Bachitarsingh Dogra ...Applicant.
V/s.
The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent.

Mr.R.S.Kate, adv. for the Applicant.
Ms.R.M.Gadhvi for the Respondent/State.

**CORAM: J.H.BHATIA, J.**
**DATE : 26th February, 2007.**

**P.C.:**

1. Heard Mr.Kate, the learned counsel for the applicant and Ms.Gadhvi, the learned APP for the State.

2. Prosecution case in brief is that one, Jagdish Madhukar Lomte lodged a report with the Talegaon Dabhade Police Station alleging that the present applicant was acquainted with him because he used to come to his hotel frequently. About a month before lodging of the report, the present applicant had represented to the complainant that there were 5 or 6 vacancies with M.E.S.Lonavala and because of his good relations with the officers, he could secure a job for the daughter of the complainant for which he would be required to pay an amount of Rs.60,000/-. The complainant was required to pay 50% of the amount initially. Thereafter, the applicant received Rs.500/- towards the fee of the application

form. After that the applicant received an amount of Rs.10,000/- on one occasion and Rs.10,000/- on second occasion and Rs.5,000/- on third occasion and he assured that an appointment letter would be issued on 8th January, 2006. The balance amount of Rs.5,000/- was to be paid at the time of getting the letter. However, no such appointment letter came to be issued and, therefore, on 20th January, 2006, the complainant lodged the report with the police on the basis of which Crime No.13 of 2006 punishable under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 of the I.P.C. came to be registered. The applicant seeks to be released on bail on the ground that investigation is already completed and the charge-sheet is filed. The application is opposed on behalf of the prosecution. Ms.Gadhvi makes a statement that the present applicant had similarly cheated number of other persons and had received an amount of more than Rs.9 lakhs. Not only this, a similar offence is also registered with Lonavala Police Station against the applicant. It is contended that taking into consideration the facts and the circumstances, the applicant appears to have cheated a number of persons. Particularly, the people looking for some jobs are allured to make huge payments to him and therefore, it will not be in the interest of justice to grant bail to him.

3. Taking into consideration, the facts and circumstances noted above, I find substance in the contention of the prosecution and it will not be appropriate to grant bail to the present applicant. Taking into consideration all the facts, Application stands rejected.

**(J.H.Bhatia,J.)**